Town Demolishes Zombie House in Blue Point

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Farmingville, NY – On February 21, Councilmember Neil Foley (pictured) was in Blue Point for the demolition of an abandoned house located at 7 Purick Street. The house, which has been vacant for more than 7 years, was a source of numerous resident complaints and Town building code violations. Neighbors reported drug activity, graffiti and vandalism at the house. It was demolished by the Town in accordance with Chapter 73 of the Town Code which provides a "fast track" to rid neighborhoods of unsafe structures. The cost of demolition and debris removal is the responsibility of the property owner, and the Town places a lien on the property that is then placed on the tax bill. The County reimburses the Town and then they collect the money from the property owner.

Councilmember Foley said, "The surrounding residents work hard to maintain their homes and it's a shame when dangerous eyesores like this negatively impact the property values and quality of life of those nearby. Thanks to the assistance of the Town's Law Department, this blight has been demolished. I will continue to do everything I can to help protect the quality of life for those in my Council District."

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